

Receipt date: 07/21/2011

Doc code: IDS

Doc description: Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed

10555474 - GALL 1765  
Pro 08a (07-10)

Approved for use through 07/31/2012. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**  
( Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

|                        |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Application Number     | 10555474           |
| Filing Date            | 2006-10-02         |
| First Named Inventor   | Ralph-Dieter Maier |
| Art Unit               | 1796               |
| Examiner Name          | J. S. Lenihan      |
| Attorney Docket Number | 17488/055002       |

| U.S.PATENTS       |         |               |                        |            |   | Remove   |
|-------------------|---------|---------------|------------------------|------------|---|--|
| Examiner Initial* | Cite No | Patent Number | Kind Code <sup>1</sup> | Issue Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|                   | 1       | 6635715       |                        | 2003-10-21 | Datta et al.                                    |  |

If you wish to add additional U.S. Patent citation information please click the Add button.

| U.S.PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS |         |                    |                        |                  |   | Remove   |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|--|
| Examiner Initial*                   | Cite No | Publication Number | Kind Code <sup>1</sup> | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|                                     | 1       |                    |                        |                  |   |  |

If you wish to add additional U.S. Published Application citation information please click the Add button.

| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS |         |                                      |                           |                        |                  |   | Remove   |                          |
|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| Examiner Initial*        | Cite No | Foreign Document Number <sup>3</sup> | Country Code <sup>2</sup> | Kind Code <sup>4</sup> | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | T <sup>5</sup>           |
|                          | 1       |                                      |                           |                        |                  |   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you wish to add additional Foreign Patent Document citation information please click the Add button

| NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS |         |   |  |  |  |  | Remove         |
|---------------------------------|---------|---|--|--|--|--|----------------|
| Examiner Initials*              | Cite No | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc), date, pages(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published. |  |  |  |  | T <sup>5</sup> |
|                                 |         |   |  |  |  |  |                |

/Jeffrey Lenihan/

10/01/2011

Receipt date: 07/21/2011

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**  
( Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

|                        |                    |                      |
|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Application Number     | 10555474           | 10555474 - GAU: 1765 |
| Filing Date            | 2006-10-02         |                      |
| First Named Inventor   | Ralph-Dieter Maier |                      |
| Art Unit               | 1796               |                      |
| Examiner Name          | J. S. Lenihan      |                      |
| Attorney Docket Number | 17488/055002       |                      |

|   |   |                          |
|---|---|--------------------------|
| 1 | Decision of Refusal issued June 14, 2011 in corresponding Japanese application no. 2006-532936 (with translation) (6 pages) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | Decision on Rejection issued 6/23/11 in corresponding Chinese application no. 200910002323.3 (with translation) (9 pages)   | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you wish to add additional non-patent literature document citation information please click the Add button [Add](#)**EXAMINER SIGNATURE**

|                    |                   |                 |            |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Examiner Signature | /Jeffrey Lenihan/ | Date Considered | 10/01/2011 |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------|

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup> See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.USPTO.GOV](http://www.USPTO.GOV) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>2</sup> Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>3</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>4</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>5</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.